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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Administration

9 July 1956

THROUGH : Deputy Project Director

SUBJECT : Status of Executive Officer, Detachment A

REFERENCES : A. SAPC 7514 - Dated 6 July 1956
B. SAPC 7543 - Dated 6 July 1956

25X1A 1. I have considered the referenced documents fully and discussed them both with [REDACTED] On the basis of your two papers and of our conversation with you, I believe we should proceed as follows:

25X1A a. I concur in general with your recommendations in reference B. Specifically, I believe [REDACTED] should be returned to the ZI for reassignment as soon as possible. I prefer that this be even sooner than the date of 15 August which you suggest, but I believe that can best be settled in consultation with [REDACTED]

25X1A b. I still believe the original concept of the Executive Officer's position to be valid. I also believe that our unsatisfactory experience in the case of Detachment A is not a proper test of the workability of the original concept since the characteristics of the individuals involved have an obvious bearing upon this case. Under the circumstances, I believe the desirability of providing the replacement for [REDACTED] should also be settled in consultation with [REDACTED].

25X1A 2. [REDACTED] plans a brief visit to Detachment A in the very near future (one week from now or sooner). I am asking him to take these matters up face to face with [REDACTED]. We will then determine upon [REDACTED] return, how next to proceed.

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RICHARD M. BISSELL, JR.
Project Director

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